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**HERE AND YONDER.**  
As to the Mexican situation Bro. Ake of the Ironton Register, admits that he doesn't understand it, and says: "As for Mexican matters, they are so damnably mixed and still mixing through laborious efforts of the several war correspondents, that I hold my breath and impatiently await developments." Then he concludes that "all that the president has done in this connection I heartily endorse." Now, that is Democratic. Doesn't know a d-d thing about it, yet endorses the president's course. That explains why he votes 'er straight.

The big general merchandise store of B. F. Earles at Morley has been closed by creditors and bankruptcy proceedings are pending. J. A. Finch, of Forney, has been appointed referee. Mr. Earles is gone and his whereabouts is not known—not even to his family. Mr. Earles thought the only thing wrong with this country was the Republicans in control and that to put the Democrats in would fix it. So he worked and voted for Wilson, and got what he voted for.

Gustav Hilleman and Henry Roth of Macdonia, two enthusiastic Socialists, passed through Benton Saturday on their way to the Morley meeting. No report of the meeting has been sent in but it is said that the attendance was small. Neither the chairman nor secretary were present—the chairman being sick and the secretary says he was too busy in farm work.

Monday afternoon the big storage shed of the Sikeston Mercantile Co. of Sikeston was completely destroyed by fire, together with its contents of general merchandise. The loss is estimated at \$25,000. The origin of the fire is not known, but the first alarm was given when a can of gasoline exploded which attracted the attention of a man unloading goods.

Circuit and County Court were both in session this week and both have quit. The circuit court was wrestling with ditch matters while the county court had to do with levee matters. It is, perhaps, the first time in the history of the county that the circuit court continued into the 5th week.

Uncle Tom Hawkins of near Commerce was in Benton Tuesday in his usual good humor. Uncle Tom takes life as it comes and his only really bad habit is voting the Republican ticket. Like using tobacco, he got into this habit in early manhood and just can't quit it.

The Democrats are in control in the nation, state and county. All you who have prospered during the past two years should be satisfied and vote to keep them in power. Are YOU among the prosperous? Think it over.

Three men and two women were brought to jail from Morley accused of practicing "free love." Nobody has anybody accused them of anything, which is the only way the Socialists have to get into the "free love" game.

Frank K. was arrested 16 years old, was arrested Saturday afternoon. He was taken to the river from Big Island where the skiff upset. He was the son of a widow and was working on the island.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Louis B. Hoy, a school teacher, to Miss Lucille Burks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Burks of near Blodgett, on May 25.

W. N. Arnold was on the train going to Cape Tuesday and said he had bought out the restaurant business of Mr. Levan at Morley. Jacob Welter of near Blodgett was here Friday. He says the cool weather has delayed the corn and melon crops.

W. F. Edwiston, the Vanduser restaurant man and confectioner, was in Benton Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Linson Dabbs of Mullins Island were Benton visitors Monday.

The coal miners of Ohio declared a strike Monday.

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**REPUBLICANS MEET.**  
A delegated convention of the Republicans of the county was held here in the Wiel building Saturday and Rev. Maddox, of Commerce was elected chairman. He made a little talk in which he must have said something about Lincoln. The applause could be heard at the Kicker office.

H. G. Kaiser, Fornfelt; Matt Thomas, Kelso; W. H. Tanner, Sikeston; H. R. Williams, Blodgett; and J. W. Winters, Oran, were elected delegates to the St. Louis convention May 27 and instructed to support the recommendation of the National Committee.

Herbert S. Hadley was endorsed as the national standard bearer for 1916 to "lead us out of this Democratic wilderness and slough of despondency."

They endorse County Judges Bowman and Thomas as "fair, capable, earnest and pains-taking in the management of county affairs" and we earnestly solicit them to make the race for re-nomination.

Patronize the paper that tells it just as it is. No muzzle.

**FROM NEW HAMBURG.**  
Quite a number of neighbors attended the wedding celebration at Mr. and Mrs. Joe Glueck's Sunday. Among them were Jacob Diebold and daughter, Miss Clementine, Louis Westrich and family, all of Schererville, and Chas. Halter and family and Sol Diebold and family of this place.

Warren Hooker and family, Mrs. Katie Westrich and son, and Geo. Glueck and family of Sandywoods, visited Mr. and Mrs. Martin Biecher Sunday.

John Stike, A. W. Dirnberger, Lawrence Reigert and Wm. Hahn attended church at Chaffee Sunday.

Simon Reiminger and son Leo, and August Schlosser of Randles, were here Sunday.

Miss Christina Essner of Ellis visited her sister, Mrs. Peter Gotsche, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Dirnberger, and Mrs. Matilda Schoen and daughter, Miss Corona, and Anton Hahn were at the Cape Saturday.

Andrew Schoen and wife of Ellis district visited their daughter, Mrs. Frank Kern Sunday.

The members of the Western Catholic Union had a meeting here Sunday afternoon.

Lawrence Westrich and son, Nick, went fishing Sunday and caught plenty of fish.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schwartz of Kelso attended church here Sunday.

Leo Grojean and John Dirnberger were in Benton Wednesday.

The young ladies scrubbed the church Friday.

**FROM MORLEY**

Fathers' Day was observed at the Methodist church Sunday and Rev. Dorris preached a good sermon on Father Abraham. Several of the Baptists were present. On next Sunday Children's Day will be observed.

Two young men from Blodgett and Cary were arrested Saturday and pled guilty to disturbing the peace. In default of the price we are letting them board it out in the calaboose.

James Strong has a great variety of garden and field vegetables growing on the railroad right-of-way between Morley and Benton.

Mark York is farming on the J. R. Lee farm. He may get tired of batching and make other arrangements as to house-keeping.

E. Daugherty, C. D. M. Gupton and others have returned from St. Augustine and Jacksonville, Fla.

W. C. Black has bought a new Ford and J. J. Hunter a new Hudson. Both are six-cylinder.

W. W. Bray visited at Messrs. Kluge and Minner in Sandy prairie Sunday evening.

Louis Halter, the Oran butcher, was in Sandywoods trying to buy beef cattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Mullins visited his father, Uncle Andy Mullins, Saturday.

It is rumored that army worms are numerous in spots in Sandywoods.

An inventory of the stock in the B. F. Earles store is being taken. J. P. Emerson and family visited relatives in Richwoods Sunday.

Miss Dixie Traxler has been employed as teacher at Canolou.

Mrs. B. F. Earles is visiting relatives at Tiptonville, Tenn.

Robert Griggs is slowly improving from appendicitis.

Uncle Poke Randol has returned from Cape County.

A. A. Evans is doing some road work.

**FROM RANGLES.**  
Mrs. Louis Kilhoffer, Mrs. R. Vanderbach and Mrs. Leo Halter of Chaffee visited their sister, Mrs. Joe Schlosser, last week.

Orto Bollinger seems to be a little worried. His best girl has no more of those very bewitching smiles to waste on him.

The Misses Josephine Schott and Clara Heisserer of Oran spent part of last week with their cousin, Miss Anna Schlosser.

Ed Himmelbach, one of our jolly good fellows, was at Chaffee Sunday and threatens to go back there next Sunday.

Our new merchant, A. M. Meade, received a lot of hardware last week and seems to be doing good business.

Seven or eight deaths have occurred at Delta within the past two weeks—all of measles.

Frank Mier was at Oran Saturday listening to the street fiddler.

August Schlosser attended the New Hamburg church Sunday. Joe Schlosser went to Oran Sunday to see a doctor.

**FROM ORAN.**  
People here did considerable causing and discussing of the brand of justice carried in stock over at Benton. Say, Rube, suppose you try to turn a trick like Rucker and see what happens to you? But you can get even. When one of the Ruckerites asks you for your vote, don't fail to insist that he explain it. And if he pleads ignorance and says he had nothing to do with it, give him the horse-laugh.

Buyers are scouring the country for cattle and hogs to ship. That there will be a meat shortage is very evident and local butchers may soon have to get their fresh meats from the packing houses. Farmers could easily co-operate and butcher their own fresh meat, but that might break up the home.

Just now the grain gamblers and their newspapers are telling us what a bumper crop we will have this year in Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma. But things don't look so bright in Scott county. The wheat crop appears rather thin, and in some places will hardly pay to cut.

J. F. Crader sold his restaurant to Maintz Bros. and bought the interest of Tobe Fink in the firm of Fink & Crader on the east side. Mr. Fink is now a man of leisure, but he is never idle long.

Through lapse of memory the correspondent last week neglected to mention the marriage of Paul Burger to Miss Audry Vaughn and Joe Bowman to Miss Maggie Vaughn.

The three buildings north of the postoffice have been moved closer together to make room for the erection of an opera house.

Frank Messner and Leo Westrich of New Hamburg were here Thursday.

Joe Schlosser of Randles and Leo Blatt of Kelso were here Saturday.

Farmers are behind with their work and very busy. Help is scarce.

Simon Remminger and son Leo were at New Hamburg Sunday.

Lawrence Hahn of Portageville is here on a visit.

Phil Hafner, the Kicker, was here Saturday.

**FROM HEAD DISTRICT**

A pleasant crowd gathered to spend Sunday with the family of Herman Musbach. Among them were the Misses Emma and Bertha Roth, Ella Uelsmann, Edna Eifert, Lola Weaver, Hilda Uelsmann Ida and Auguste Eifert, Alma Roth, Grace Weaver, Mary and Pauline Eifert, Edna Sang, Edna Guth, Edna and Emilie Eifert, Ella Rubel, Lizzie Bates and Jessie Gross, Ella Puchbauer, Emil Sprenger, Louis Eifert, Chas. and Dewey Garvey, Lee Miller, Edw. Eifert, Ben Bruhl, Guy Kennedy, Wm. Sprenger, Ernest Roth, Arthur Roth, Charley Eifert, Oscar Roth, Walter Eifert, Herb Roth, Claude Whaley, Carl Taylor, Walter Uelsmann, Claude Sanders and Arnold Rubel.

Mesdames August Eifert, Chas. Will, Dan Eifert and Henry Eifert, and the Misses Auguste Eifert, Ella Puchbauer and Mary Eifert visited Mrs. David Eifert to remind her of her 72d birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Casper Eifert visited their daughter, Mrs. Chas. Tucker at Ilmo Sunday.

Miss Lizzie Uelsmann and Jesse Miller visited Martin Uelsmann at the Cape Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Casper Roth spent Sunday with the family of J. Lindorfer.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Roth were at the Cape Friday.

For Sale.—Any amount of sweet potato slips at 15 cents per 100. Four different varieties. Wm. Diebold, Fornfelt, Mo. 16-17.

Read the unmuzzled Kicker.

**FROM FORNEY.**  
Wm. Eifert traded his Ford for an Empire car. Friday he went out for a spin and, while turning on his return trip, collided with Barney Wagner's Ford. The Ford was butted to one side and the steering rod of the Empire was bumped, but no serious damage was done. Both cars were able to get away.

Last week the St. Louis Republic stated that John Bosen was arrested charged with breaking into Father Dempsey's parsonage and taking \$7. About three weeks ago John left here with the intention of joining the navy, but he was rejected and got a job about the church and parsonage.

J. A. Finch, A. Baudendistel, Ed. Schriever and Frank Compas went to Morley Monday to appraise the stock of merchandise of B. F. Earles; which has been thrown into bankruptcy.

Chas. Will had filed a petition with the county clerk for a saloon license at the Obermeyer stand in North Ilmo, but the petition was withdrawn.

Saturday night was the opening of Manning & Sage's new motion picture show, and the crowd was so large that many could not gain entrance.

Otto Walters, who lives north of town, was surprised by friends Sunday night. It was his birthday anniversary.

Miss Virginia Lowry returned to St. Louis after a two weeks stay with her sister, Mrs. W. O. Baumgartner.

Mr. and Mrs. Baudendistel and Everett Pate autoed tot he Cape with Frank Compas of Kelso Sunday.

August Heinrich is here from St. Louis visiting his son, P. A. Heinrich, who is in poor health.

Mrs. Maggie Francis and son Everett are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Dilger.

Mrs. E. C. Owens and granddaughter have returned from their Texas visit.

Chas. Hamm was called to St. Louis because of the illness of his son Frank.

Henry Uelsman and family autoed to the Cape in his new Maxwell Sunday.

Miss Myrtle Jones of Advance is clerking at Baudendistel's. J. K. Gill was in St. Louis last week, returning Friday.

Wm. Brooks and Elmer Kinder were at Cairo Sunday.

J. T. Williams was at Benton and Morley Wednesday.

**NOTICE TO TEACHERS.**  
The Scott county teachers' examination will be held in Benton, Mo. June 5 and 6, 1914, beginning at 8 o'clock each morning. The order of subjects will be the same as in March.

Those wishing to make 2d or 1st under the law to furnish evidence of having had 1 year high school work or its equivalent. Any applicant having passed on the third grade subjects in March may raise their grades by passing on the additional subjects and furnishing the High School requirements as stated above without another fee.

The law says after September 1914 two years of High School work will be required for first and second grade certificates. A mistake was made in the March notice on High School requirement caused by a typographical error. In a copy of the law on the date, it reads 1913 when it should be 1914. This law does not apply to those who taught before 1912.

Remember the date June 5 and 6, 1914. Examination will be held in the school house in Benton. Chas. D. Harris, Co. Supt.

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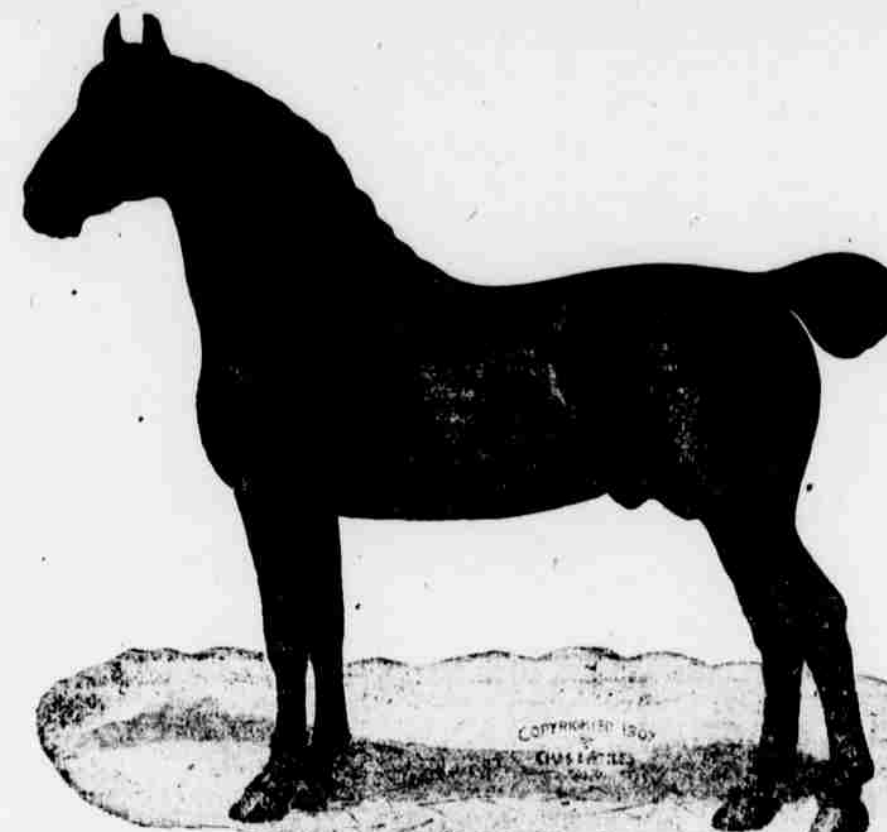
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